(b) The modified proposal for Sriram Sagar Stage-II received in Central Water Commission is not included in the Seventh Five Year Plan.

Indians residing abroad

2036. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted by Government to ascertain the number of Indians residing in foreign countries;

(b) if so, what is their number, country-wise; and

(c) the percentage out of them who have accepted foreign citizenship?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (PROF. K.K. TEWARI) (a) Yes, Sir, based largely on published statistics.

(b) and (c) The estimated number of Overseas Indians country-wise alongwith percentage of them who have accepted foreign citizenship is given in the annexure. [*See* Appendix CXLVII, Annexure No. 84.]

Navigational system for Air Force Transport Fleet

2037. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Air Force had contracted with a foreign firm to instal latest navigational system for Air Force Transport fleet;

(b) if so, what was the investment in this contract;

(c) whether the installed system is capable of giving adequate security to Air Force Transport fleet;

(d) whether Government have made any effort sto develop an air borne radar system for the futuristic jet aircraft at its Research and Development Section; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 96.67 lakhs.

(c) The systems acquired meet the operational requirements for navigation of IAF transport aircraft.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Working of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited

2038. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have inquired into the working of H.A.L. during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the nature of lapses, if any, detected; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government for improving the working of H.A.L.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) to (c) No inquiry into the working of M/s. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has been undertaken by the Government during the last three years. However, Government has a mechanism of periodically reviewing and monitoring the performance of M/s HAL, based on which suitable instructions/guidelines wherever considered necessary are issued